No. ECON 084/2008

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Ecuador and refers to the Air Transport Agreement, with Annexes, signed by representatives of our two Governments at Washington on September 26, 1986 ("the 1986 Agreement"); to the exchange of notes at Quito on October 23 and December 19, 1995, which modified Annex I to the 1986 Agreement; to the exchange of notes at Quito on July 15, 2002, which further modified Annex I to the 1986 Agreement; and to the exchange of notes at Quito on July 29, 2005 and January 31, 2006, which extended application of the terms of the 1986 Agreement (as modified) through June 30, 2006.

The Embassy proposes, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, that the competent authorities of the United States of America and the Republic of Ecuador continue to permit operations in accordance with the terms of the 1986 Agreement. The Embassy further proposes that Annex I to the 1986

Agreement, as modified in 1995 and 2002, and Annex II to the 1986 Agreement continue to govern air services between the two countries through June 30, 2009.

Finally, the Embassy proposes that, if acceptable to the Government of Ecuador, this note and the Ministry's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Ecuador, which shall enter into force on the date of the Ministry's note in reply, with effect from July 1, 2006.

The Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurances of its highest and most distinguished consideration.

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Embassy of the United States of America,

Quito, September 17, 2008.

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The Ministry of Foreign Relations, Trade, and Integration presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honor to refer to note verbale No. ECON/084/2008 of September 17, 2008, in which the United States Government proposes that Annexes I and II, each as modified, of the Commercial Air Services [sic--Air Transport] Agreement signed by the two countries in 1986, continue to apply.

In this respect, the Ministry wishes to inform the Embassy that the *Consejo Nacional de Aviación Civil* [National Civil Aviation Council] has reported that it accepts the above-mentioned proposal, to the effect that Annexes I and II, each as modified, of the 1986 Agreement, continue to apply until June 30, 2009.

Accordingly, the Ministry would be very grateful if the Embassy would transmit the above information to the United States aeronautical authorities.

The Ministry of Foreign Relations, Trade, and Integration avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United States Embassy the assurances of its highest consideration.

Quito, December 26, 2008

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I hereby certify that the above translation bearing LS No. 09 2009 0357 prepared by the Office of Language Services of the Department of State and that it is a correct translation to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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